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Dated: **July 2, 2025**

IT IS SO ORDERED.

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

LEONARDO GUZMAN VASQUEZ,

Plaintiff,

v.

MARK ALBERT MORLOK, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:24-cv-01068-KES-SAB

ORDER CONSTRUING SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL AND NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

(ECF No. 23)

Defendant Mark Albert Morlok, who is proceeding *pro se*, filed a substitution of attorney form substituting attorney Michael Christopher Kronlund of Quinn & Kronlund, LLP, in place of himself. (ECF No. 23.) However, substitution of counsel, as its name implies, allows for substation of an attorney by another attorney. Defendant Morlok is proceeding *pro se*, so the proper procedure would have been for Attorney Kronlund to file a notice of appearance. Given that Defendant Morlok is proceeding *pro se*, and that counsel for Defendant Penske Logistics has stipulated to appear on Defendant Morlok's behalf (ECF No. 24), the Court construes the substitution of counsel and a notice of appearance. The Court DIRECTS the Clerk of the Court to designate Michael Christopher Kronlund as counsel of record for Defendant Morlok.

STANLEY A. BOONE

United States Magistrate Judge